28. A method according to claim 26 wherein R_{12} is optionally substituted imidazolinyl- having the formula:

$$R_{14}$$
 R_{10}
 R_{10}

wherein

R₁₄ is lower-alkyl; phenyl-; or phenyl- substituted with one or more of the following groups: methyl, methoxy, trifluoromethyl, or halo; and

 $R_{10},\,R_{10},\,R_{11},\,$ and R_{11} are independently hydrogen or optionally substituted $C_1\text{-}C_4$ alkyl-.

29. A method according to claim 26 wherein R_{12} is —NHR₄; and

 R_4 is chosen from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyl-, optionally substituted aryl-, optionally substituted aralkyl-, optionally substituted heteroaralkyl-, and optionally substituted heterocyclyl-.

30. A method according to claim 26 wherein R_3 is selected from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyl-, optionally substituted aralkyl-, optionally substituted heteroaralkyl-, optionally substituted heteroaryl-, optionally substituted aryl-, $R_{15}O$ — and R_{17} —NH—, wherein R_{15} is chosen from optionally substituted alkyl and optionally substituted aryl and R_{17} is chosen from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyl and optionally substituted alkyl and optionally substituted aryl.

31. A method according to claim 30 wherein R_4 is is R_{16} -alkylene-, and R_{16} is chosen from alkoxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy, hydroxyl-, and N-heterocyclyl-.

32. A method according to claim 31, wherein

 R_4 is chosen from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyloptionally substituted aryloptionally substituted aralkyloptionally substituted heteroaralkyloptionally substituted heterocyclyloptionally substituted arkyloptionally substituted heterocyclyloptionally substituted heterocyclyloptionally

R₃ is selected from optionally substituted alkyl-; aryl-; substituted aryl-; benzyl-; and optionally substituted heteroaryl-.

33. A method according to claim 32, wherein R_3 is tolyl-, halophenyl-, halomethylphenyl-, hydroxymethylphenyl-, methylenedioxyphenyl-, formylphenyl or cyanophenyl-.

34. A method according to claim 26, wherein R_{12} is $-N(R_4)(CH_2R_{3h})$;

 R_4 is chosen from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyl-, optionally substituted aryl-, optionally substituted aralkyl-, optionally substituted heteroaralkyl-, and optionally substituted heterocyclyl- and

R_{3b} is chosen from phenyl substituted with one or more halo, methyl-, cyano, trifluoromethyl-, trifluoromethoxy, carboxy, or methoxycarbonyl groups; piperidinyl-; and naphthyl-.

35. A method according to claim 1, wherein R_{12} is —NR₄(SO₂R_{3a});

 R_4 is chosen from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyloptionally substituted aryloptionally substituted aralkyloptionally substituted heteroaralkyloptionally substituted heterocyclyloptionally substituted arkyloptionally substi

 R_{3a} is chosen from phenyl substituted with halo, lower-alkyl-, lower-alkoxy, cyano, nitro, methlenedixoy, or trifluoromethyl-; and naphthyl-.

36. A method according to claim 1, wherein R_2 and R_2 are each attached to a stereogenic center having an R-configuration.

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